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**REPLY/AMENDMENT
FEE TRANSMITTAL**

REPLY/AMENDMENT FEE TRANSMITTAL	Attorney Docket No.	1614.1085	
	Application Number	09/685,859	
	Filing Date	October 11, 2000	
	First Named Inventor	Syuichi SATAKE	
	Group Art Unit	2134	
AMOUNT ENCLOSED	0.00	Examiner Name	Matthew E. Heneghan

FEE CALCULATION (fees effective 10/01/03)

CLAIMS AS AMENDED	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid For	Number Extra	Rate	Calculations
TOTAL CLAIMS	12	- 20 =	0	X \$ 18.00 =	\$ 0.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	6	- 6 =	0	X \$ 86.00 =	0.00

Since an Official Action set an original due date of August 24, 2004, petition is hereby made for an extension to cover the date this reply is filed for which the requisite fee is enclosed (1 month (\$110); 2 months (\$420); 3 months (\$950); 4 months (\$1,480); 5 months (\$2,010)):

If Notice of Appeal is enclosed, add (\$330.00)

If Statutory Disclaimer under Rule 20(d) is enclosed, add fee (\$110.00)

Information Disclosure Statement (Rule 1.17(p)) (\$180.00)

Total of above Calculations = \$ 0.00

Reduction by 50% for filing by small entity (37 CFR 1.9, 1.27 & 1.28)

TOTAL FEES DUE = \$ 0.00

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SUBMITTED BY: STAAS & HALSEY LLP

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Syuichi SATAKE

Serial No. 09/685,859

Group Art Unit: 2134

Confirmation No. 4181

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For: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR AUTHENTICATING DIGITAL SIGNATURES AND
COMPUTER-READABLE RECORDING MEDIUM THEREOF

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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed May 24, 2004, and having a period for response set to expire on August 24, 2004.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.